



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Thiele, Jr.

Serial No.: 10/827,564

Group Art Unit: 3652

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Examiner:

For: SHOVELS AND OTHER IMPLEMENTS WITH SCALLOPED LEADING EDGES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows: